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President's Letter on Laos to Chou En-lai

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SIMONS delivered original of President's letter to Premier Chou En-lai to CH'IEN Yung-nien at Chinese Embassy Warsaw 1500 April 16. Chien accompanied by YKH Wei-lan. Ch'ien asked if bore President's signature, checked to see that it did, and said he would give to Charge. Had no other comment on letter.

- 2. Appointment had been requested morning April 15 on receipt letter for 1430, but Yeh said Ch'ien absent from Embassy and he unable receive Simons alone. Time fixed morning April 16; Ch'ien said he had been absent from Embassy all previous day.
- 3. Remainder ten-minute meeting devoted non-substantive small talk. Chinese cheerful and cordial. No mention made of date next Sino-US meeting.

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